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WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Mean Temperature—73.3 degrees.
Minimum Temperature—70.7 degrees.
Maximum Temperature—77.7 degrees.
Barometer—30.03 at 9 p. m.
Rainfall—0.00 inches, 80 to 9 a. m.
Mean Low Point for the Day—6.7
Mean Relative Humidity—81.
WINDS.
Northeast 3.

FORECAST FOR TODAY.

Probably more or less showers, especially morning and evening, with northwest wind.

AN ARTFUL DODGER.

The effort of Governor Dole and his administration to try to counteract the statement that suit is to be instituted in the United States court to set aside all land leases and sales made in Hawaii since the 28th day of September, 1899, is amusing to the onlooker. It is, of course, not amusing to those who made the purchases in good faith and who will no doubt be put to the expense of bringing suit against the territory to recover the money paid for their land. In his organ, the Advertiser, the governor said in an interview published yesterday morning:

"We have received a letter from the secretary of the interior, and we have also heard unofficially that the secretary of the interior has recommended to President McKinley the approval of all land transactions made in Hawaii between July 7, 1898, and September 28, 1899, the date of the president's proclamation respecting the island group, with the exception of two. * * The recommendation of the secretary of the interior to President McKinley is, in my opinion, as good as if the matter was approved and the president's signature attached to the papers."

How ingenious this statement is, but how many of the people the governor expects to be fooled by it, it is difficult to understand. The Republican was the first and only paper in Hawaii to publish the fact that suits were to be instituted to set aside all sales and leases made since September 28, 1899. It never said any attempt was to be made by the attorney general of the United States to have set aside any of the sales, grants or leases made between the 7th day of July, 1898, and the 28th day of September, 1899. It is hardly likely that Attorney General Griggs would try to institute a suit in the United States court on behalf of the government to set aside an express act of congress. When congress passed the Organic Act for Hawaii it expressly provided in Section 73—

"That, subject to the approval of the president, all sales, grants, leases and other dispositions of the public domain, and agreements concerning the same, and all franchises granted by the Hawaiian government in conformity with the laws of Hawaii between the 7th day of July, 1898, and the 28th day of September, 1899, are hereby ratified and confirmed."

Of course the recommendation of the Secretary of the Interior to President McKinley on the sales, grants and leases made during this period is as good as if the President's signature had already been attached. No one was ever fool enough to say it was not. The Republican particularly pointed out the provisions of Section 73 of the Organic Act with reference to the confirmation of all sales, leases and grants made between July 7, 1898, and September 28, 1899, when it announced that suits would be made to set aside all sales and leases made since the last named date.

This statement of the governor's simply shows how, like a drowning man, he is now grasping at straws in his endeavor to fool the people and turn them off from the main issue, which is that the leases, grants and sales that he has been making of public lands since the 28th day of September, 1899, are each and every one of them illegal and void. No one knows this fact better than Governor Dole himself, but like many another man in a bad box, he is trying to postpone the evil day.

As The Republican has heretofore stated, the suits will be filed very soon to set aside all the leases, grants and sales made under the territorial administration. The papers in the case are all prepared and only await certain preliminaries before being filed.

It is marvelous how cheap some men found running for the legislature to be. Without stricter provisions for its enforcement, the law providing the filing of election expense accounts is a farce. When any man, who was especially active in the campaign, says under oath that he only spent \$25 for election expenses every one knows that he is purjuring himself.

The present old blue Sunday Law is a disgrace to the statute books of Hawaii that should be promptly wiped out by the legislature. Honolulu is too important a commercial port to be bound down by sumptuary laws.

AS VIEWED BY THE POST.

That fearless, independent paper the New York Evening Post is noted for its vigorous and aggressive way of treating public questions. And best of all Editor Godkin generally knows exactly what he is writing about. This is strikingly shown in the following comment on the election in Hawaii—

"Hawaiian election returns are just in, and show that the ungrateful natives stood together and outvoted their white deliverers. Not only did they elect their delegate to Congress, but carried the Hawaiian Legislature as well, so that nothing but Gov. Dole's veto will now prevent the frightful evil of a government of Hawaii by Hawaiians. No wonder that the beaten whites promptly declare that the natives have shown themselves 'unfit for the suffrage,' and that Congress must immediately intervene to take it away from them. Self-government, new style, means a docile readiness to let the minority exploit the majority; and if the silly majority object, why, they must not be allowed to vote at all. This unhappy outcome in Hawaii was foreseen by the white oligarchs who protested, from the first, against manhood suffrage as probably fatal to their snug little monopoly of government at Honolulu. Now that their worst fears are realized, they will move on Washington to get their privileges and immunities restored by law."

It seems to be impossible for the Governor of Hawaii to realize that he is no longer a dictator of a little oligarchy with the title of President. Observe in his interview about land leases, quoted in another column, how he continues to use the imperialistic "We." Just like Emperor William of Germany and Czar Nicholas of Russia. How nice to be able to speak of one's self in the plural. Wouldn't President McKinley think he was a big man if he could do that.

An evening contemporary wants to know how much the judges in the Territory of Arizona receive. They receive \$3,000 per year from the United States government the same as the judges of the Circuit Courts of Hawaii and the very best attorneys of the country aspire to the bench in that Territory where civic honor is something to be attained as well as pelf.

That dispatch from Washington which the Advertiser was so concerned about as having local origin appeared in the San Francisco Bulletin of September 27 as a Washington special. The original copy clipped from the Bulletin file can be seen in this office if the Advertiser is real anxious about it.

HAWAII IN THE PUBLIC EYE

Theresa's Luau.

From the San Francisco Chronicle.
The wife of Delegate Wilcox of Hawaii is revealing her pleasure in her husband's success in a novel way. She is holding luau or feasts in many places on the Islands of Hawaii, and in Honolulu she actually solicited funds to provide for such an entertainment. One of these feasts ex-Queen Lil attended and there was a great demonstration of loyalty to her. If this Hawaiian custom should spread, political candidates would have a heavy item of expense to add to their election accounts.

White Sentiment in Hawaii.

From the Stockton Mail (Dem.)
The whites in Hawaii, who have been fairly beaten in an election, now want some limitations on the voting, on the ground that the natives have shown themselves unfit for universal suffrage. If such sentiments find favor in Hawaii, which came to us, as was supposed, voluntarily, what kind of self-government may the Filipinos expect, whom we are trying to subjugate? As the whites in Hawaii hold in contempt the real heirs of the soil, so much the more may we expect an aristocracy of army officers and traders to aspire to establish a despotism in the Philippines. It is easy to make fair promises to a people whom we desire to exploit, but history proves that it is difficult to keep them.

A Different Man.

Honolulu Cor. Boston Transcript.
"John Chinaman is an entirely different person in Hawaii from what he is in California. Those who know him only on the Pacific slope do not know him at all. There he is a despised menial, outside the pale of society, abused and tolerated because he can't be wholly got rid of. In these favored isles he is a man among men, the faithful and trusted servant, and often occupies important places in public affairs; he is welcomed to any society for which he has fitted himself. And so well has he improved the exceptional opportunities that have come to him in Hawaii that he is sometimes able to grace the most select functions. Last week I attended a reception at Oahu College, given to the new president and his wife. There I saw Chinamen and his wife. There, among the elite of the city, I saw Chinese and Japanese men and women, some in their national costumes."

True Americans.

From the Baltimore Sun.
The Hawaiians have finished their first presidential campaign in a manner so progressive and American that their assimilation must be confessed to be a success. There were three parties, it seems—Democratic, republican and independent—and each of them had enthusiastic mass meetings and torchlight processions. Everybody participated in the political festivities at Honolulu. Not a soul was apathetic, but every citizen of voting age glowed with patriotic enthusiasm. Several street corners, it is stated, were occupied continuously by spellbinders for a whole week, oratory flowing in an uninterrupted stream.

Campaign meetings never adjourned, but were entertained by fervent speakers day and night. The audiences were as much interested as the orators, and applauded all alike, except on one occasion when abhorrent sentiments caused the crowd to topple the speakers' stand over, and there was silence for a minute or two until native Hawaiian spellbinders had time to climb telegraph poles and begin to orate from their summits. Already, it is perceived, our kanaka fellow citizens have contributed an idea to American public life. Lofly sentiments are familiar to our office seekers, but they have hitherto been content with the humble rostrum. Hereafter they may be expected to climb a pole before voicing their bifalutin.

Y. W. C. A. QUARTERLY MEETING.

Work of the Association Reviewed and Women's Home Discussed.

The quarterly meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held last night in the association rooms in the Progress block. There were about thirty members present. Mrs. E. W. Jordan presided. Mrs. T. R. Walker, the treasurer, reported the financial condition of the association. Her report made a satisfactory showing.

The report of Mrs. Coleman, the general secretary, covered a quarter of unusual activity in all lines of work. The various branches of endeavor have enlisted the heartiest support from members of the association. Notable progress has been made with the gymnasium classes and in the work of the various clubs.

The proposition of establishing a Woman's Boarding Home was discussed and a report of the Home committee was heard. This matter has not progressed to the stage yet where definite announcement can be made. The Home movement is strictly a Y. W. C. A. undertaking and the members object to any of their number being named as the special promoters of the work.

MUSICAL CONCERT.

First One of the Year at Punahou Assembly Hall.

Although the weather was threatening last evening, quite a large sized audience turned out to the first concert given by the Oahu College students under their new director, Prof. F. A. Balleseyus. The program which was not very long, was rendered with style and finish.

Great praise is due Professor Balleseyus for the improvement he has wrought in so short a time. Heretofore concerts have been given only after a full year's training, but in two months, Mr. Balleseyus has been able to bring off a first-class concert.

Miss Gertrude Brown showed herself to be an accompanist of high order. She plays with force and precision, allowing the soloist to take an endless amount of liberty. As a soloist also, she was one of the stars of the evening, rendering Niel's Gade's "In the Forest" with simplicity and feeling.

Miss Sarah Lyman also showed considerable ability as a piano soloist. She plays remarkably well, her touch being her strong point.

Miss Della Griswold delighted the audience with her rendition of "The Flower Song," from Faust. Miss Griswold's voice was in excellent condition, and the style with which she rendered the piece was a pleasure to all lovers of good music. Her tones were particularly clear and she was heartily received by the audience.

Miss Alice Wood, the violinist, showed herself to be the most talented addition to local music circles that we have had for a long time. She played the "Legende" by Wieniawski with grace and beauty, and was most heartily received by the audience.

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